

REMARKS

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated September 25, 2008 in connection with this application.

Claims 1, 3-6, 8, 11-17 and 20 remain in the application. Claims 2, 7, 9 and 10 have been canceled.

The Examiner has objected to claims 10-12, but indicated they would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 10 and claim 9, upon which claim 10 was dependent. Accordingly, amended claim 1 is former claim 10 rewritten in independent form with all limitations of its base claim 1 and intervening claim 9. Claims 9 and 10 have therefore been canceled.

Claim 2 has been canceled, while claims 3-6 remain in the application dependent upon amended claim 1.

Claim 7 has been canceled and claim 8 has been amended to be dependent upon amended claim 1.

Claim 11 has been amended to include all the limitations of base claim 1 and claim 12 remains dependent upon amended claim 11.

Claims 13-15 remain in the application, now dependent upon amended claim 1.

Claim 16 has been amended as pointed out by the Examiner to change “trough” to “through” and has also been changed to become dependent upon amended claim 11 instead of claim 1.

Claim 17 remains dependent upon claim 1, now amended, while claims 18 and 19 were previously canceled and claim 20 has been amended to be dependent upon amended claim 1 instead of on claim 2 which has been canceled.

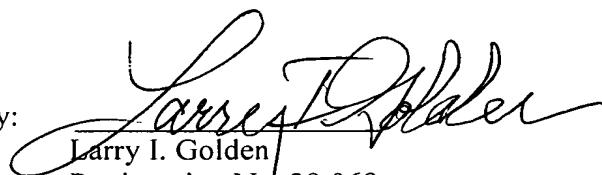
Accordingly, independent claims 1 and 11, together with their dependent claims, 3-6, 8, 12-17 and 20 are believed allowable. Applicant believes all matters have now been addressed and the application is in condition for allowance.

It is believed that no additional fee is required in connection with this Amendment, but the USPTO is authorized to charge any fee that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account 50-1873.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conversation would facilitate the prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to call applicant's attorney.

Respectfully submitted,
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